IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Hubert REMMLINGER, Robert INGENBLEEK,

Gabriele SCHUWERK and Rolf SCHMITZ

Serial no.

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METHOD AND DEVICE FOR MACHINE

DIAGNOSIS, ESPECIALLY FOR

TRANSMISSION DIAGNOSIS

Docket

For

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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION Commissioner of Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

By way of preliminary amendment, please amend the above identified application as set forth below.

In the Drawings:

Please amend the drawing presently on file per the attached Submission. The Applicant respectfully requests deferment of formal entry of such drawing amendments until such time as the Examiner approves the requested drawing amendments.

In the Specification:

Please amend paragraphs 2, 3, 4, 11, 12, 17, 18, 19 and 20 of the specification as follows in which the specification additions are shown by underlining and the specification deletions are shown by strikeout. Please enter the replacement specification paragraphs into the record of this case.

Please also add new paragraph 22 as follows.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-7, without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein, in favor of new claims 8-23 as follows.